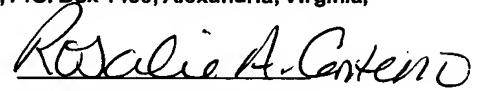


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LETTER

Sir:

Although a Notice to File Missing Parts of Non-provisional Application has not yet been received, Applicants herewith submit a literal translation of the German text of the above-identified application. Applicant requests that this translation be used as the copy for examination purposes in the Office. Also attached is the declaration form, and a Preliminary Amendment.

In addition, we are enclosing our check in the amount of \$ 195.00 (\$65 late declaration surcharge/\$130 English translation surcharge).


It is respectfully requested that, if necessary to effect a timely response, this paper be considered as a Petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response that any fees required, any additional amount or shortages in any fees, any discrepancy in the amount sent herewith or at any future time during the prosecution of this application be charged to Deposit Account 02-1653.

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